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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated
September 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 13 as follows:

13. (Amended) Ball-and-socket joint as claimed in claim
24, characterized in that the flange (4.2) protrudes at an
approximately 90° angle from the cylindrical center part (4.1)
of the metal ring (4).

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